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### Have just received an Elegant Stock of Spring and Summer CLOTHING

MEN, BOYS AND CHILDREN,  
Embracing all the Leading Styles at the Lowest Prices.

We present a Magnificent Assortment of  
**LINEN COATS & VESTS,**

Including Black Alpaca, Fancy Mohair, Pongee, Drad  
etc., Seersucker and Fancy Flannel.

In Our Furnishing Goods Department.

We show you an elegant line of Plain and Fancy Underwear in Lisle Thread and Balbriggan—Hosiery in endless variety and all the novelties in Neckwear.

### SUMMER HATS.

Stock Unequalled, Prices the Lowest, Styles the Latest, including Dunkap, Knox, Yonman shape in Black, Pearl and Newton Stuff Hats. Men's, Boys' and Children's Straw Hats in Mammoth, Mackinaw and Canton Braid, at the Lowest Prices.

Being the Leading First-class Merchant Tailors, we can fit you up in the Best Style.

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129 and 135 North Water Street.

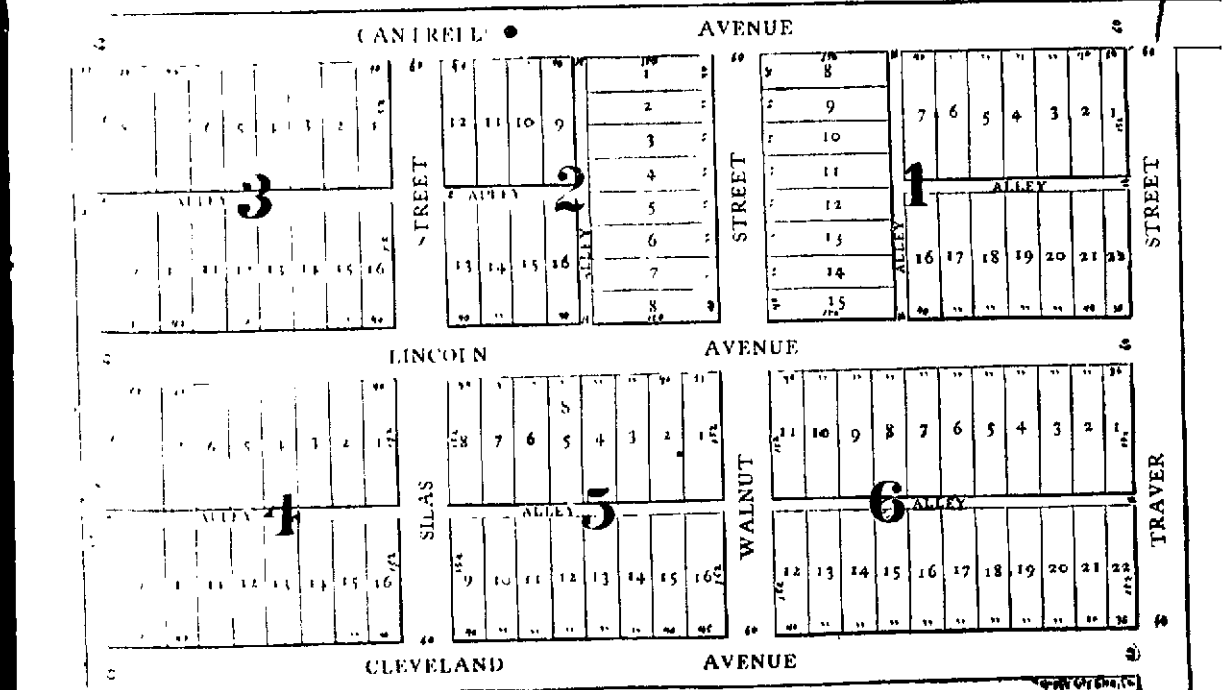
## Wm. Young. Carl Young. YOUNG + BROS.

### NEW \* MEAT \* MARKET, NORTH SIDE OF PARK,

And are prepared to furnish the very best.

### FRESH \* AND \* CURED \* MEATS, SAUSAGE, LARD, ETC.

## A RARE OPPORTUNITY For securing a beautiful site for a home or making a PROFITABLE INVESTMENT, **STARR & MILLS'** First Addition to CITY OF DECATUR.



If you want a profitable, safe and sure investment, one which will yield a large profit in a short time, there is nothing better around Decatur.

If you wish to establish a home, you will here find all the essentials and derive the benefit and profit of a rapid advance in value.

THESE ARE THE MOST BEAUTIFUL LOTS AROUND THE CITY,  
Ground High, Excellent Drainage, Only Eight Bl'ks from Business Centre, and Streets all nicely Graded.

**PRICE—From \$5.00 to \$8.00 per front foot.**

**TERMS—One-Third to One-Half Cash, balance on time to suit at 6 per cent per annum.**

These lots are 150 and 152 feet deep, with an alley in the rear of each lot, as shown by above Plat.

There will be a great boom in this section soon. Buy now, and enjoy the advance.

**STARR & MILLS.**

### The Appetite

May be increased, the digestive organs strengthened, and the bowels regulated, by taking Ayer's Pills. These Pills are purely vegetable in their composition. They contain neither calomel nor any other dangerous drug, and may be taken with perfect safety by persons of all ages.

I was a great sufferer from Dyspepsia and Constipation. I had no appetite, became greatly debilitated, and was constantly afflicted with Headache and Dizziness. I consulted our family doctor, who prescribed for me, at various times, without affording more than temporary relief. I finally commenced taking Ayer's Pills. In a short time my digestion and appetite

**IMPROVED**  
my bowels were regulated, and, by the time I finished two boxes of the Pills my tendency to headache had disappeared, and I became strong and well. Darius M. Logan, Wilkesburg, Ind.

I was troubled, for over a year, with Loss of Appetite, and general Debility. I commenced taking Ayer's Pills, and, before finishing half a box of this medicine my appetite and strength were restored. —C. C. Clark, Danbury, Conn.

Ayer's Pills are the best medicine known to me for regulating the bowels, and for all diseases caused by a disordered Stomach and Liver. I suffered for over three years with Headache, Indigestion, and Constipation. I had no appetite, and was weak and nervous most of the time.

**BY USING**  
three boxes of Ayer's Pills, and, at the same time dieting myself, I was completely cured. My digestive organs are now in good order, and I am in perfect health. —Philip Lockwood, 77 South Main.

Ayer's Pills have benefited me wonderfully. For months I suffered from Indigestion and Headache, was restless at night, and had a bad taste in my mouth every morning. After taking one box of Ayer's Pills, all these troubles disappeared, my food digested well, and my sleep was refreshing. —Henry C. Hemenway, Rockport, Mass.

I was cured of the Pills by the use of Ayer's Pills. They not only relieved me of that painful disorder, but gave me increased vigor, and restored my health. —John Lazarus, St. John, N. B.

**Ayer's Pills,**  
Prepared by Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass.  
Sold by all Druggists and Dealers in Medicine.

### COKE+

+FOR FUEL.

**FIFTY BUSHELS**

### DECATUR COKE

Are equal to one ton of Hard Coal, and only cost

**\$4.00 Delivered.**

**SOLD BY THE**

**DECATUR GASLIGHT AND COKE CO.**

**Brick Sidewalks.**

John Cross is prepared to lay all kinds of brick walks at reasonable prices. Orders left at store of Geo. S. Dunfee & Bro. will receive prompt attention. 10-11m

### ABUSED WIVES

On maiden ladies suffering from any form of female complaint, sick or nervous, headache, or other kind of troubles, can be relieved perfectly by Prof. Curtis' "ROZONNE TREATMENT," which is the greatest boon for women ever discovered. It makes no difference what you have taken, or who has failed to cure you, the trial of this Treatment will always convince you of its efficacy. The more desperate the case the more convincing are its merits. During the next thirty days one \$5 Treatment will be delivered to any lady in the United States free, who sends both express and postpaid address, and 20 cents to cover charges, boxing and delivery. In order to receive this Treatment, send address, name, and location, to: **Dr. J. C. Curtis, 100 West Third Street, New York, N. Y.**

### FARM AND HOUSEHOLD.

—There is no overproduction of the best varieties of fruits.

—Try hot flannel over the seat of neuralgic pain and renew frequently.

—Trees are the cheapest as well as the finest ornaments for prairie farms.

—Be sure to keep your dish-cloth clean, as some physicians claim that diphtheria will start from using greasy dish-cloths.

—If a child shows ability or talent in any direction, allow him to cultivate it. Encourage and praise his efforts. Let him know he is appreciated, and that his plans and purposes are matters of vital interest to his parents.

—Cinnamon Buns.—Reserve one quart of dough when making bread; work in a cup of sugar and two tablespoonfuls of butter and roll half an inch thick, cut in large biscuits, spread with sugar and cinnamon. Let rise and bake.—*Cincinnati Times.*

—There are many considerations to be thought of and decided upon when you intend to keep fowls for market and laying eggs. Those that are profitable and will put on fat kindly and make good eating when slaughtered, are the kinds you want.—*American Poultry Journal.*

—The Black Dorset pig has been introduced in this country. They have small, stocky heads, short noses, are heavily jointed, the necks are short; the legs, set under compact, closely-made bodies, are short and strong. They are said to be hearty and fatten readily.

—Saving Steps.—It costs nothing to keep broom and dustpan and save time to have two or three, one for the kitchen use, one for the sitting-room, and one to sweep feet in winter. There should always be a set place for these and each member of the family required to keep them there. Shears are needed many times during the day, and a pair should be in every room, also a coarse needle and thread. A good pin cushion will always find customers, and plenty of match safes are indispensable.—*Farm, Field and Stockman.*

### CLEAR COMPLEXION.

A Few Unpleasant Ways in Which Ladies Can Secure It.

It has long been an established fact that spring winds are harmful to the complexion, and those wishing to preserve such should never go abroad without wearing over the face a thin gauze veil. Do not bathe the skin in warm water immediately before going out into the air, as this opens the pores, giving to the wind opportunity of chapping the skin, making it rough and disagreeable. Though many women use both warm and cold water for the face, going out in all kinds of weather utterly regardless of the effects it may have on the complexion, nevertheless, a clear, soft skin is something to be desired by all. Few cosmetics are entirely harmless, therefore the safest way is to avoid using any of them.

Oatmeal soaked over night until it is of the consistency of glue, and applied to the face and worked thoroughly in, has been used by many successfully. A small bag of bran left over night in the same way is also excellent for softening the skin.

A light dusting baby powder, which has been stated on good authority does not injure the skin, but, on the contrary, protects the pores from absorbing foreign matter, may be used to allay the irritation usually attendant on coming in from a biting wind. Many women use cold cream or vasoline at night, rubbing it well into the skin, which, it is said, refines the grain. This for the best results should be applied after a warm bath.

An excellent receipt for improving the complexion, particularly if the skin is coarse, is the following: Take flowers of sulphur and mix in a little milk; let it stand for an hour or two; rub the milk into the skin without disturbing the sulphur. It will clear and soften the skin wonderfully. Another simple method for clearing the complexion, which is within the reach of all, though it would not be advisable to try it until the warm weather, is: Make a mask of cotton batting, cutting out places for eyes and mouth, on retiring for the night thoroughly dampen it in cold water, and fasten on the face with tapes sewed on both sides, so as to be behind. In the morning it will be found to be perfectly dry, the skin having absorbed the moisture. This, being perfectly harmless, when used in warm weather and persisted in for some time, will make the skin smooth and soft. It is particularly applicable to a dry, hard skin. These are a few of the unimportant ways in which any woman who desires may improve her complexion.—*Boston Budget.*

### Destroy Weeds When Small.

Weeds may be a blessing, but it is only when they force us to give thorough cultivation that we might not otherwise bestow. We should not wait until the weeds press us to cultivate. Thorough plowing and harrowing the ground until it is in fine condition not only makes the work of planting easier, but it enables us to begin cultivation early, and to do more thorough work. In finely pulverized soil the plow can run closer to the plants, more completely destroying the weeds, which are much easier killed while they are small. Thoroughly destroying the weeds at the first two cultivations makes the subsequent work comparatively easy, and gives the young plants a chance to outgrow the weeds. Small weeds can easily be destroyed by means of the harrow or hand rake, if the work is done soon after they come up.—*N. J. Shepherd, in Prairie Farmer.*

### A Sound Legal Opinion.

E. Bainbridge Munday, Esq., County Atty., Clay Co., Texas, says: "Have used Electric Bitters with most happy results. My brother who was very low with Malarial Fever and Jaundice, but was cured by timely use of this medicine. Am satisfied Electric Bitters saved his life." Mr. D. E. Wilcoxson, of Horse Cave, Ky., adds a like testimony, saying he "positively believes he would have died, had it not been for Electric Bitters." This great remedy will ward off as well as cure all Malarial Disease, and for all Kidney, Liver and Stomach Disorders stands unequalled. Price, 50c and \$1 at J. A. Swearingen's Drug Store.

For bargains call at Cheap Charley's

## MID-SUMMER CLOTHING.

### Seersucker Coats and Vests.

### Lustre Coats and Vests.

### Cocheco Flannel Coats and Vests.

The Largest and Most Complete Assortment of

## SUMMER CLOTHING

ever exhibited in this city, at

## B. STINE'S.

Would be pleased to show you our New Line of

### STYLISH STRAW HATS.

## FAN AND PARASOL

### SALE

## THIS WEEK

### AT

## BRADLEY BROS.'

## NEW YORK STORE

10c Folding Fans, for 5c each.

20c Folding Fans, for 10c each.

25c Folding Fans, new designs, for 15c each.

25c Japanese Folding Skeleton Fans, 15c each.

35c and 50c Fancy Feather Fans, for 25c each.

50c Cloth Painted Fans, with fancy wood sticks, for 35c.

Fancy Cloth Painted Fans, with gilt wood sticks, for 50c.

White Satin and Gauze Fans at 50c, 60c, 65c and 75c.

Black Satin Fans at 50c, 60c and 75c.

100 Black Satin Parasols, silk lined and 6-inch silk lace trimming, worth \$3, for \$1.98.

50 Cream Lace-Covered Parasols, at \$1.50 each.

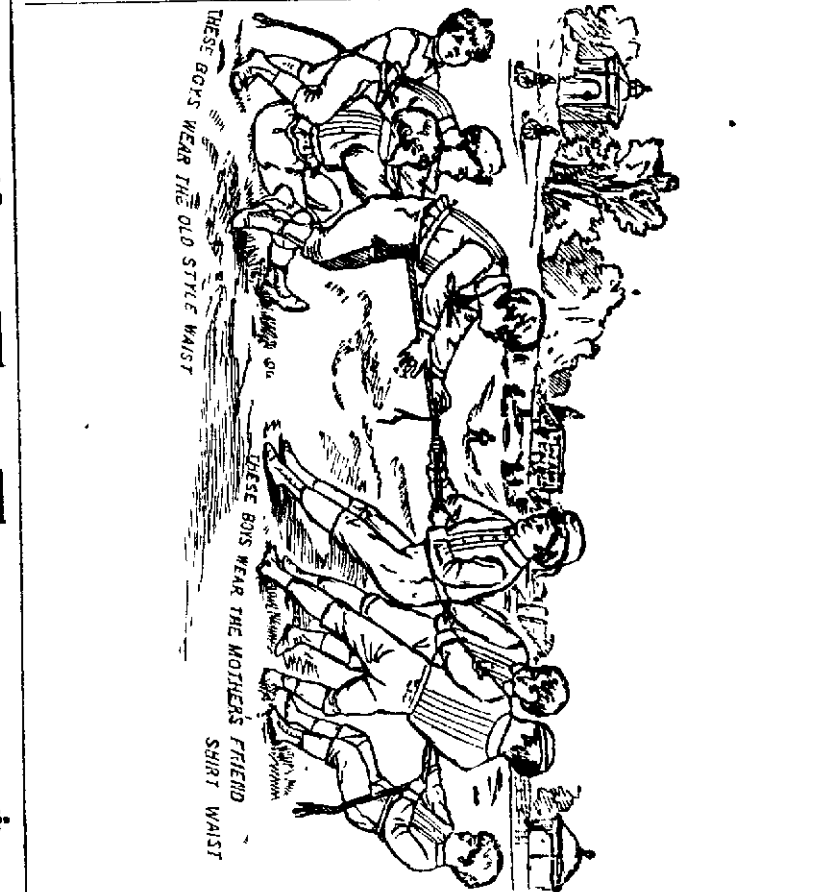
**BOYS' WAISTS, all Sizes, 15c Each,**

**THIS WEEK, at**

## BRADLEY BROS.'

## NEW YORK STORE.

## CALL AT CHEAP CHARLEY'S AND SEE THE PATENT MOTHER'S FRIEND SHIRT WAIST.



### No Buttons Can be Torn off Either in Wearing or Washing.

The "Mother's Friend" does away entirely with the sewing on of buttons. It is supplied with an adjustable belt, which is easily taken off when the waist is washed; the buttons are riveted on the belt, consequently cannot be torn off, either in washing or wearing.

For SPRING SUITS call and see the Styles and Prices.

## CHEAP CHARLEY.

## J. B. BULLARD, UNDERTAKER

Funeral Director.

Mr. Bullard has kept in stock the best of everything pertaining to the funeral business, with cheap prices to correspond. He makes a specialty of embalming and preserving the features of the dead. Do not fail to interview Mr. Bullard when requiring service in his line. The most business and courteous always ready for prompt service at low prices. An attendant is on duty night and day, and answers by telephone will receive prompt attention.  
Stand, 250 N. Water St., Masonic Temple Block. Residence, 272 West Main Street, Decatur, Illinois.

### SEALED BIDS.

Public notice is hereby given that the contract for the improvement of West Main street, from the east side of Church street west to the city limits, by grading, curbing, guttering and paving with brick, according to the plans and specifications of an ordinance relating thereto, passed by the city council March 14, 1887, will be let to the lowest responsible bidder, and that sealed bids will be received by the office of the city clerk in Decatur, Ill., from the date hereof until 4 o'clock p. m. of the 15th day of June, 1887, for the labor, and for the materials of said improvement, and for the entire improvement, including labor and materials. All bids, when received, will be submitted to the city council for its consideration. The successful bidder will be bound to execute the contract as provided in the second act of the legislature.

J. C. BRADLEY, City Clerk.  
Decatur, Ill., May 14, 1887.

### SEALED BIDS.

Public notice is hereby given that the contract for the improvement of North Water street, from the north line of North street north to the south line of the tracks of the Western, St. Louis and Pacific Railroad company, by grading, curbing, guttering and paving with brick, according to the plans and specifications of an ordinance relating thereto, passed by the city council March 14, 1887, will be let to the lowest responsible bidder, and that sealed bids will be received by the office of the city clerk in Decatur, Ill., from the date hereof until 4 o'clock p. m. of the 15th day of June, 1887, for the labor, and for the materials of said improvement, and for the entire improvement, including labor and materials. All bids, when received, will be submitted to the city council for its consideration. The successful bidder will be bound to execute the contract as provided in the second act of the legislature.

J. C. BRADLEY, City Clerk.  
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### Notice.

The undersigned hereby gives notice that he will apply at the regular meeting of the city council, on the 15th day of June, 1887, for a license to sell intoxicating liquors in a building at No. 250 North Broadway, on lot A, William Martin's addition to the town of Decatur.

JOHN DISNEY.  
May 16-60

### Sod for Sale.

Parties desiring any quantity of excellent blue grass sod, should call on I. R. Mills or W. H. Starr.  
May 2 dtd

MAYER has a plentiful supply of pure, crystal ice. Call up telephone 100 and send in your orders.  
april 2 dtd

The Bluegrass Shop will make you low figures on vehicle work.  
april 2 dtd

Suits to fit and please anyone. Call at Cheap Charley's.  
dtd

Go to Spencer, Lehman & Co for Wood Pumps, Chain Pumps and Iron Force Pumps.  
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A LIMITED quantity of the Magic Carpet Sweepers, for One Dollar only, at dtd  
Lynn & Schreiner.

For a fine display of clothing, call in and see Cheap Charley's line this spring.  
dtd

## Haworth Wagon.



HAWORTH IRON FELLOE WAGON

### Best Wagon in the World

TIRE WILL STAY ON UNTIL WORN OUT.

Send for Circulars.

## Decatur Iron Felloe

WAGON COMPANY,

Decatur, Illinois.

FOR SALE BY

## D. F. HAMSHER

DECATUR, ILL.

### Assignee's Notice.

Estate of Thomas J. Abel and James H. Locke, doing business as Abel & Locke—debtors. The undersigned hereby gives notice that Thomas J. Abel and James H. Locke, doing business as Abel & Locke, of the city of Decatur, in the county of Macon and state of Illinois, did on the 24th day of December, A. D. 1886, transfer to the undersigned, as Assignee, all of their claims against the said Abel & Locke, and that just claims money for all work done by them in said county, within three months after the date of this notice. All persons who are indebted to the said Abel & Locke, or who have claims against them, are hereby notified to present such claims, with vouchers therefor, to the undersigned, at his office, at Decatur, Ill., on or before the 1st day of May, 1887. Dated May 2, 1887.

### MONEY

to be made. Cut this out and return to us, and we will send you free, something of great value and importance to you. Start you in business which will bring you in this world. Any one can do the work and have at home. Money right all over the world. We will start you; capital not needed. This is Illinois, the most important business in a nation. We have who are ambitious and enterprising with capital. Grand outfit free. Address: **Wm. J. C. Hamshere**, Augusta, Maine.

### B. I. STERNETT

ATTORNEY AT LAW.  
Office over the Postoffice, Decatur, Illinois.







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